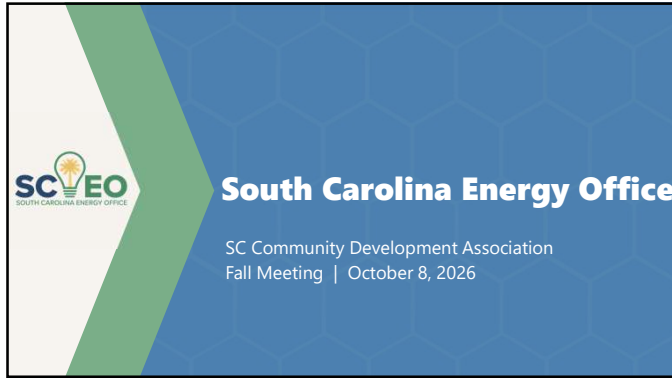
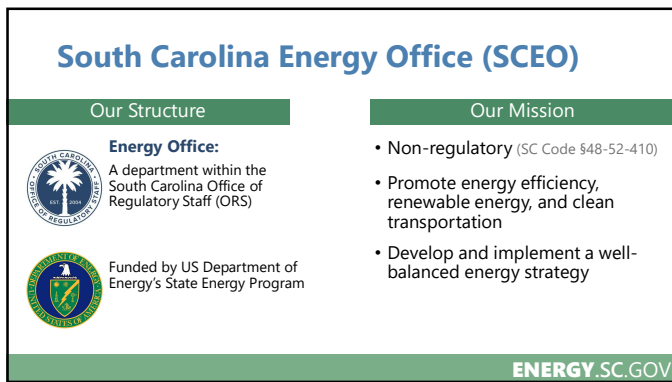


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Funding at a Glance

**Grants**
Mini-Grant Program
Up to \$75,000
Energy efficiency, renewable energy, and clean transportation
No cost share required
OPEN NOW – NOV 30

**Loans**
ConserFund
1.5% interest, \$25K–\$500K, up to 10 years, for local governments and nonprofits
Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan
Up to \$1M for your local businesses

**Rebates**
Home Energy Rebates
Rebates for efficiency and electrification upgrades in residents' homes
EXPECTED EARLY 2027

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Mini-Grant Program

- Competitive grants of **up to \$75,000** for energy efficiency, renewable energy, and clean transportation projects
- Open to **local governments**, other public entities, and nonprofits
- No cost share required.** Leveraging other funds strengthens your application
- Applications open NOW through November 30**

UP TO
\$75,000
Our largest Mini-Grant award to date

**Scan for application materials**
Solicitation, application, and tips for a strong application
energy.sc.gov/programs/fundings/mini-grant-program

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What Could Your Community Fund?

**Efficient buildings**
LED lighting retrofits; high-efficiency HVAC; building insulation, window films, or shading; efficient water heating

**Solar on public facilities**
Rooftop or ground-mounted solar PV systems; solar paired with battery storage; efficient water heating

**Cleaner fleet vehicles**
Electric and alternative fuel vehicles for public works, parks, and code enforcement; electric utility vehicles

**Public EV charging**
Chargers at parks, municipal lots, and downtown districts that bring visitors to your community

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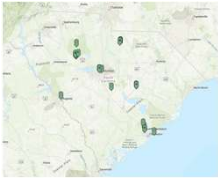
Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants

In November 2023, the SCEO received \$2.17 million from DOE to award to projects that reduce energy use

\$1.3M+
awarded through EECBG

18
public entities

21
projects funded



EECBG funds are fully awarded.

Central Midlands Council of Governments (CMCOG)
The SCEO awarded the Central Midlands Council of Governments (CMCOG) with \$75,000 to fund energy efficiency projects in the region.

Charleston County - Electric Truck
Charleston County used \$40,000 to purchase a Ford F-150 Lightning van, all-electric model.

Charleston County - Electric SUVs
Charleston County, as part of its second EECBG project, purchased two Mustang Mach-E, all-electric SUVs, for \$40,000.

City of Isle of Palms (COP) - Roofing Solar
The SCEO awarded the City of Isle of Palms with \$60,000 to fund solar roofing to install a 17.4 kW solar roofing system.

City of North Augusta - Lighting Retrofit
The SCEO provided \$20,000 to the City of North Augusta for the replacement of 100 LED lighting to replace 100 incandescent lights across the city.

Clarendon County - HVAC Replacement (Weldon Auditorium)
The SCEO awarded Clarendon County with \$40,000 to fund HVAC replacement to replace 100 incandescent lights across the city.

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Revolving Loan Programs

Low-interest rate loans for energy efficiency, renewable energy, and clean transportation projects

ConserFund for local governments & nonprofits

- Loans from \$25,000 to \$500,000
- 1.5% interest rate, terms up to 10 years
- Energy savings help repay the loan

EERL for your local businesses

- Loans from \$50,000 to \$1,000,000
- Variable rate, up to 10 years
- Administered by SC Business Development Corporation



PROJECTED LIFETIME SAVINGS AT A GLANCE

Electricity	\$402,857
CO ₂ e	1,187 metric tons

City of Darlington
lighting retrofit in six city buildings

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Palmetto Energy Saver

HOMES
\$68.7M state allocation



Whole-home efficiency upgrades with at least 20% modeled energy savings

HEAR
\$68.5M state allocation



Income-qualified households at or below 150% of area median income (AMI)

	HOMES	HEAR
Eligible Upgrades	Weatherization; HVAC; other efficiency upgrades	Heat pump HVAC, water heater, dryer, cooking appliances; panel upgrades; wiring; weatherization
Delivery Method	Contractor-led installation	Contractor-led or DIY installation
Home Assessment	Required for eligible single-family and multifamily upgrades	Limited assessment only for electric heat pump installation
Maximum Rebate	Varies by upgrade, income level + energy savings produced	Up to \$14,000 per single-family home or multifamily unit

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Energy Assessments

- **Energy Technical Assistance Program (ETAP):** identifies ways to reduce energy use and fund energy-saving improvements
- Utility bill analysis, building walk-through, and funding advisement, **at no cost**
- Final report with recommendations, costs, and estimated savings.



- **Eligible entities:**
 - State Agencies
 - Colleges and Universities
 - Public School Districts
 - Local Governments
 - 501(c)(3) Non-Profits

Request an assessment: submit the ETAP application at energy.sc.gov/programs/technical-assistance

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Clean Transportation



Supporting your community's transition to cleaner, alternative fuel fleets



Fleet Assessments

We help you evaluate your fleet and identify vehicles that are good candidates for alternative fuels



Grants for EVs & Charging

Mini-Grants can fund electric and alternative fuel vehicles and EV charging infrastructure



Drive Electric SC & Plug In SC

EV public education resources and tools, plus standardized charging station signage

driveelectricsc.com



Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition

SC's DOE Clean Cities coalition: peer network, events, and technical resources

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Energy Planning



2016
State Energy Plan



2020
Energy Efficiency Roadmap



2022
EV Stakeholder Initiative



2027
State Energy
Strategy
In development now,
publishing Fall 2027

How you can shape it: watch energy.sc.gov for stakeholder opportunities and meetings, and tell us your community's energy priorities, challenges, and needs.

[Take the Survey](#)

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Get Involved



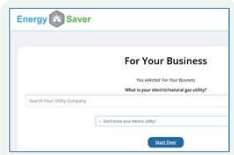
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K-12 lesson plans and toolkits, energy workforce development training, stakeholder engagement



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